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HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of United States Army Staff Sergeant Joshua D. Powell of Pleasant Plains, who passed away on September 21, 2010, due to injuries sustained in a helicopter accident in Zabul Province, Afghanistan; and

WHEREAS, Staff Sergeant Joshua D. Powell served with the 101st Combat Aviation Brigade, 101st Airborne Division at Fort Campbell, Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, He was born in Springfield on November 10, 1984, the son of David and Susan Brooks Powell; he was a 2003 graduate of Pleasant Plains High School, where he lettered all four years in varsity soccer; he was a member of the Western Oaks Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, He was an avid hunter, and enjoyed collecting guns; he was a motorcyclist and recently became a St. Louis Cardinal fan; and

WHEREAS, He was preceded in death by his maternal grandfather, James M. Brooks; his uncle, Michael Powell; and his great-grandparents; and

1 WHEREAS, Staff Sergeant Joshua D. Powell is survived by his
2 parents, Susan (husband, Doug) Needham and David (wife,
3 Theresa) Powell; his brothers, Travis (wife, Brea) Powell and
4 Zachary Powell; his maternal grandmother, Judy Brooks; his
5 paternal grandparents, John and Doris Powell; his great
6 grandmother, Iva Hinrichs; his aunt, Becky Powell; his uncle,
7 Jeff Brooks; his girlfriend, Rebecca Elshoff; and several
8 cousins; therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
10 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
11 mourn, along with his family, friends, and a grateful nation,
12 the passing of Staff Sergeant Joshua D. Powell; and be it
13 further

14 RESOLVED, That we honor the memory of Staff Sergeant Joshua
15 D. Powell and his willingness to serve his country, which led
16 to him making the ultimate sacrifice; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
18 presented to the family of Staff Sergeant Joshua D. Powell as a
19 symbol of our sincere sympathy.